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Dear Bill:

Re: Patentability Search

MICROINSTRUMENTATION-BASED POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION (PCR)

DIAGNOSTICS

Inventor: Northrop and White

Case No.: B92-011

After review of your letter dated you are hereby authorized to perform the searches recommended by the Examiners:

Class 422, Subclasses 63, 130, 138 Class 435, Subclasses 289 thru 291 Class 436, Subclasses 43+

Additionally, please order the missing patents as delineated in page 2 of your letter. Please call Dr. White and/or Dr. Northrop to review the patentability results. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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